

JAPAN SENDS
SHIP TO MEXICO

An Armored Cruiser Is Dispatched There by Today's Decision

IN ORDER TO PROTECT
JAPANESE SUBJECTS

26 Americans at Port Tuxpam Are Reported to Be in Danger

Tokio, Japan, Nov. 12.—The Japanese government decided today to send the armored cruiser Isumo to Mexican waters for protection of Japanese subjects in Mexico.

Mexico City, Nov. 12.—The federal garrison at Port Tuxpam, state of Vera Cruz, has asked the war department for reinforcements to defend the city against an attack being made by rebels under Candido Aguilar. The war department has replied that no reinforcements are available.

The garrison of the city numbers but 250 men, while the attacking force is estimated at 1,000. Twenty-six Americans are known to be in the town.

Americans Reported Safe.

Vera Cruz, Nov. 12.—All the Americans, numbering 26 persons, in the town of Tuxpam, which is being attacked by a large force of rebels, were safe yesterday afternoon. Two American warships, the battleship Louisiana and the gunboat Wheeling, are riding at anchor in the Tuxpam harbor. Tuxpam is 145 miles northwest of Vera Cruz.

The United States consul here yesterday received a telegram from the American consul at Tuxpam, Arthur C. Payne, in which the latter estimated the attacking force to number 1,000 men. The consul said the gunboat Wheeling, which had been hurriedly despatched from Vera Cruz Monday, arrived at her destination at 3 o'clock yesterday morning. He added that the Americans in the town had not been harmed.

Consulting with Constitutionalists.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 12.—The conferences now being held between William Bayard Hale and General Venustiano Carranza at Nogales are interpreted in official circles here as the first open move by the United States to show an interest in the constitutionalist movement in Mexico. No official comment today on Hale's exact status, but on a previous occasion, when he spent three months in Mexico City, gathering information, President Wilson let it be known that Hale was his personal friend.

Little doubt exists in diplomatic circles that while Hale still retains his character of unofficial envoy, he is fulfilling the Washington government with information for official purposes. Observers point out that his conferences are not necessarily a forerunner of recognition.

HUERTA MAY LOSE SUPPORT.

His Position Is Regarded as Becoming More Precarious

London, Nov. 12.—Miguel Covarrubias, the former Mexican minister to Russia, is quoted by the Daily Chronicle as being of the opinion that General Huerta will soon be forced to understand that he lacks the support of his own countrymen and this together with the growing strength of the constitutionalists, will impel him to seek a way out of the difficulty for himself. At present, says Senor Covarrubias, while General Huerta believes he possesses real power he regards leaving his post as an act of desertion.

The ex-minister considers that Venustiano Carranza would make a good president, but that Iglesias Calderon would be altogether the best man for the position.

Questioned concerning President Wilson's policy, Senor Covarrubias said he believed that the president was guided by very statesmanlike motives and that his policy was practical rather than idealistic.

FACING GRAVE DANGER.

John Barrett Declared About Position of United States.

Chicago, Nov. 12.—President Wilson's Mexican policy was endorsed last night by John Barrett, director-general of the Spanish-American union, in an address before the South American committee of the association of commerce.

He asserted the United States was facing a greater peril than the masses of the people realize, and that a dangerous phase of the widespread discussion was the almost rampant attitude many newspapers and public speakers assume toward Mexico as a nation. He said there was danger of "Jingo enthusiasm leading the American people to intervention."

Mr. Barrett said the United States was face to face with a crisis which would precipitate the nation into long, cruel and inglorious warfare, which will require an army of 200,000, will cost \$1,000,000 a day for hundreds of days, will start a new pension list that will cost another million dollars a day and may alienate forever the confidence of the 20 Latin-American republics and their 70,000,000 of fellow Americans.

TOWNS IN A STEAMER.

Rappahannock Picked Up the Disabled South Point at Sea.

Queenstown, Nov. 12.—The steamship Rappahannock, one of the steamers which aided the Volturo when she was burning, brought into port last night the steamship South Point, bound from Philadelphia for London. The South Point's engines were crippled in a terrible storm on November 4. She sent out a wireless call for help and the Rappahannock picked her up the next day and towed her to Queensdown. The two steamers arrived early yesterday in a storm which snapped a hawser and both remained off port until the storm abated, entering the harbor last night.

FORCE INDUSTRIES TO
CLOSE AT CLEVELAND

Because of Shortage of Coal and the Deep Snow, City Being Under Two to Five Feet To-day.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 12.—As the day progressed, prospects of a speedy resumption of normal street car traffic were bright and the railroad, rising above the effects of the blizzard, established communication with the outside world. Telephone and telegraph companies will not be able to restore their lines completely for weeks and perhaps months. With the city under from two to six feet of snow, the problem of distributing available food and coal supply caused the greatest anxiety.

To-day 1,500 babies have been without milk for 36 hours and the prospects of getting milk into the city are not very good, but of other foods, except green stuffs, there is a fairly large supply on hand. The big milk companies yesterday made sales only to those wanting it for babies. Factories began shutting down yesterday because of the coal shortage and may not open for a week. Meat, eggs, flour and butter, sufficient to last several days, is to be had in the town stores, but in the suburbs, where it is impossible to carry supplies, the grocers' shelves are almost empty. Ten plants of the American Steel & Wire Co., employing 6,000 hands, closed today for lack of coal. A large baking company on the west side was unable to deliver its products today and gave away 5,000 pies. Twelve hundred men are working clearing away the street car tracks.

STRIKE HITS
TWO CITIES

500 Bricklayers Quit Work on Widener Library at Cambridge, Mass., and on a Hotel in New York City.

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 12.—A strike of bricklayers employed in the construction of the new Widener memorial library at Harvard, threw 500 men out of work today. Two hundred strikers and others were forced out by the quitting of the bricklayers. The strike followed similar action by the bricklayers at a New York hotel being constructed under the supervision of the same architect, Horace Trumbauer of Philadelphia.

MAIL ROBBED OF \$638.40.

Early Report of \$10,000 Haul Denied by Postal Inspectors.

Chicago, Nov. 12.—A pouch of registered mail stolen yesterday from a wagon carrying United States mail yielded the thief \$638.40, according to a statement by postal inspectors last night. It had been given out earlier in the day that money and gems to a total value of \$10,000 were lost in the looting of the mail pouch.

The inspectors are searching for Albert P. Tardy, driver of the wagon from which the mail was stolen. Mrs. Tardy informed the officers that her husband told her he had robbed a mail pouch and that he was going to escape to Canada.

NATIONAL GRANGE
IS OPENED

47th Annual Session Is Being Held at Manchester, N. H., Master Oliver Wilson Presiding.

Manchester, N. H., Nov. 12.—The 47th annual session of the National Grange opened here today, with Master Oliver Wilson of Illinois presiding. Master Wilson will make his annual address to-night, at which time Mrs. Esther Pattee of Plymouth, N. H., Ceres of the National Grange, also will speak.

ST. ALBANS HOUSE BURGLARIZED.

Thieves Took Silverware, Revolver, and Watch and Chain and Food.

St. Albans, Nov. 12.—It became known today that the residence of E. R. Hadden on Fairfield street was burglarized Monday afternoon, entrance being gained by a cellar window and the house being ransacked from cellar to garret. Among the articles stolen were a silver watch and chain, table silver, a 22-caliber revolver and all the food in the house. It is evident that the thieves stopped long enough to have a meal in the house, as they left the remnants. The family of V. W. Weeks, who reside on a hill nearby, report that they saw two men about the house Monday afternoon, one of whom carried a rifle. The place is on the outskirts of the city.

PUT UP INDUSTRIES SIGNS.

Bellows Falls To Try Same Scheme as Barre Worked Out.

Bellows Falls, Nov. 12.—The members of the Bellows Falls and North Walpole Merchants' association yesterday made their third "Bellows Falls Industries Trip," visiting the plants of the Robertson Paper Co. Friday evening the association will make a "Better Acquaintance Trip" to East Putney and be the guests of the citizens of that village as a chicken supper.

At the meeting of the association on Monday evening it was voted to erect signs at several places so that automobile tourists may know of the virtues of the town and to erect signboards along the railroad bearing the name of the village and telling of the opening for industries here.

YANKEE SAILORS
CHEERED THE POPE

After Having Been Given a Private Audience To-day in the Papal Apartments.

Rome, Nov. 12.—Large detachments of blue-jackets from the United States fleet, now in European waters, were received at 11 o'clock this morning in private audience by Pope Pius. They were conducted to the Vatican by Captain William J. Maxwell of the battleship Florida and were presented to His Holiness by Monsignor Thomas F. Kennedy, rector of the American college in Rome. A reception was held in the papal apartments. The pope was robed today and accompanied by Major Dome of the Vatican, and Monsignor Vittorio Amedeo Danuzzi de Bianchi. As the sailors left the hall, they gave three cheers for the pope.

FLYNN IS HELD
FOR GRAND JURY

Following Development of Evidence in Inquest Over Cora Towne Case

NOVEMBER 20 DATE
SET FOR CONVENING

Special Session of Caledonia County Court Is Called

St. Johnsbury, Nov. 12.—Following the death of Cora Towne, aged 25, on Nov. 6, as the result of poisoning with bichloride of mercury, a special session of Caledonia county court has been called for Nov. 20. Almost up to her last breath the girl asserted that the poison was given her by Fred Flynn, a chauffeur, with instructions to take it for a pain in her stomach. Flynn maintained his innocence, but it is evident that the secret inquest developed enough evidence to warrant calling the court together. The inquest and autopsy have just been completed, and a special grand jury was summoned this morning. Flynn is in the county jail.

State's Attorney W. A. Dutton of Hardwick will represent the state, and H. B. Howe will appear for the respondent. If the case comes to trial, Judge Stanton, who presided at the last term of county court, probably will be the presiding judge, but if he does not serve, Judge L. P. Slack is expected to take charge if he is at liberty at that time. Very likely the case would be finished before the time for the regular December term of the court to convene.

BANK CASHIER
DIED IN HIS BANK

Luther B. Harris Had Been Connected with Lyndonville National Bank Since 1884.

Lyndonville, Nov. 12.—Luther B. Harris, cashier of the Lyndonville National bank, of which T. N. Vail is president, dropped dead while at the bank this forenoon at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Harris is survived by two sons, William and Theodore, both of Lyndonville. He had been prominent in town affairs and had given a number of drinking fountains distributed about the town. He was a veteran of the Civil war. Mr. Harris entered the employ of the bank at the time it was organized in 1884.

BARRE HUNTERS NEAR WRECKED.

John F. Cook, Frank W. Robinson and Bert W. Goodfellow Had Hard Tussle.

John F. Cook of the firm of Cook, Watkins & Co., Frank W. Robinson, the fish man at the Ladd Co.'s store, and Bert W. Goodfellow returned yesterday from a duck-hunting expedition to Highgate Springs. The party bagged 10 birds the first morning out, but their hunting ceased around noon, when the heaviest wind that has swept the lake in years turned the trio to seafaring men. In a little two-ton dory near Providence Point, above the mouth of the Missisquoi river, the hunters had the struggle of their lives with the huge waves. Several times it looked as though the little craft would be swamped, but she rode the water well and by dint of the hardest manging the party was able to put in on a little island.

After several hours of cold weather on the island, the party managed to reach mainland, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Goodfellow walking to Swanton, while Mr. Cook remained over night in a hunter's camp. All were thoroughly drenched and chilled by their long exposure. Old fishermen around Missisquoi Bay said the boat could not have weathered the storm another 20 minutes.

The birds secured by the party were beauties. Mr. Cook awoke the admiration of every one by his skill in bringing down a red-headed duck, which was afterwards exhibited on the mainland. A red-headed bird has not been seen in Highgate for several years and natives consider the species rare.

50 PRIESTS PRESENT.

And Bishop Rice Sang the Pontifical Mass at Rev. T. F. Brown's Funeral.

Rutland, Nov. 12.—The last honors of the church were paid yesterday at St. Peter's church here to the Rev. Thomas F. Brown, the long time pastor of the Catholic church at Castleton, who died Sunday at his home in Clarendon after two years' illness with tuberculosis.

Bishop Joseph J. Rice of Burlington sang the pontifical mass. About 50 priests from all parts of the state were present at the impressive service and many of Father Brown's former parishioners at Castleton attended in addition to the Holy Name society, the Sisters of St. Joseph and the parochial children of Rutland to the number of several hundred.

Assisting Bishop Rice were Vicar-General Joseph F. Gillis of Burlington, assistant; the Rev. W. N. Loneragan and the Rev. N. Proulx, Rutland, deacons of honor; the Rev. T. J. Henry, Wallingford, deacon; the Rev. J. A. Lynch, Pittsford, sub-deacon; the Rev. J. M. Kennedy, Burlington, master of ceremonies; the Rev. B. W. McMahon, Rutland, assistant; the Rev. Bernard Kenney, Manchester, censor bearer. There were 40 altar boys in the service. Father Dwyer of St. Johnsbury delivered the oration.

The burial was in Calvary cemetery here. The bearers were Edward Dunn, John C. O'Neil, Patrick Lavery, William Larkin, Jeremiah Mulvey and Patrick Carroll, former parishioners of the deceased at Castleton.

Weather Forecast.

Fair to-night and Thursday; warmer Thursday except in eastern Maine. Moderate south to southwest winds.

NO MORE HYDRANTS
FOR THIS YEAR

Reason Given at Aldermen's Meeting Last Evening Was the Lack of Funds to Carry on the Work.

With its membership curtailed by the absence of Alderman J. E. Hoban, who is in Holyoke, Mass., and another member, Alderman David Dawson of the fourth ward, making his valetudinary as a part of the city government, the board of aldermen met last evening for a routine business that had accumulated.

On a written recommendation from the first ward representative, it was voted to recompense Chasney Harris for the loss of a chicken which met death this fall in an encounter with a dog. Chairman of the fire and water committees proposed in favor of sidetracking the report to establish more hydrants and revise the rentals on hydrants. In their message to the board, the committees justified such a course by the low condition of the city's finances and the lateness of the season. A short discussion ensued as to the advisability of charging a rent for water hydrants, but the report was accepted in the end.

Reporting on an appeal taken by Fred N. Bailey to the state commission, the legislative committee said that City Attorney E. L. Scott had promised to take the matter up with the commission and report to the committee at an early date. The report was accepted. The Presbrey-Coykendall Co. was granted permission to erect an annex to its motor room, on the recommendation of the building inspector.

For the brotherhood of the Hedding Methodist church, John H. Bishop appeared and asked that a light be installed near the brotherhood's gymnasium on Church street. The speaker asserted that the brotherhood had to deal with a large number of boys and that a light on certain occasions was much to be desired. His request was referred to the lighting committee with power to act.

Overseer W. F. Shepard of the poor department reported \$7.62 as cash on hand Oct. 1 and an appropriation of \$800 from the council for the support of the poor. The sum of \$806.33 had been expended in the usual channels with a balance of \$1.33 on hand. His report was accepted and like action was taken on the monthly report of Water Superintendent E. E. Reynolds.

Beck & Beach through Contractor A. B. Lane, asked permission to move the Langlois bottling works on Granite street to a point six feet from the street on a line with the Cooperative store some rods to the west. Chairman Brown stated that the building was already moved, but on the motion of Alderman Keefe permission was granted.

Alderman Bancroft suggested, just before adjournment, that an appeal be forwarded to the tax commissioner by the council last spring be withdrawn on account of the council's stand on the interpretation of the 1912-1913 tax laws. Alderman Bancroft later decided to put the proposition before the council. Alderman Keefe reported the loss of a chicken by a man named Durchem. He was requested to bring in a written report of the affair with recommendations.

Warrants approved for the week were as follows: Street department payroll, \$447.05, street, permanent street, sewer, surface, sidewalk and bridges and culverts accounts; water department payroll, \$93.33; G. A. Bemis, \$14, janitor; C. A. Heath, \$20.58, labor and supplies; public buildings account.

INJURED IN RUNAWAY.

Edward F. Farrington Hurt at Cabot Yesterday.

Edward F. Farrington of 14 South Main street sustained painful injuries and a driver, Mrs. G. F. Bliss, wife of the liveryman at Marshfield, received several bruises in a runaway accident in Cabot yesterday. Mr. Farrington was taken to the home of his brother-in-law, E. P. Carter of Keith avenue, late last evening and a physician was called. Dr. J. H. Woodruff, who ministered to the injured man, was unable to say whether his left ankle had been fractured. Mrs. Bliss was taken to her home in Marshfield.

The Barre man had been visiting at the home of his father in Cabot and was about to return with Mrs. Bliss to the station at Marshfield. The driver was in the carriage and just as Mr. Farrington was about to take a seat beside her, the animal reared and came down with such a jolt that the vehicle was overthrown. Both were thrown out and the horse set out on a canter down the road.

Mrs. Bliss was the first to reach her feet, but Mr. Farrington had to be assisted into the house. Efforts were made to procure medical attendance, but physicians in Marshfield and Cabot could not be located. Last night Mr. Farrington was brought to Barre. It is not thought that any permanent ill effects will result from the accident, although several weeks may elapse before the insurance man is able to be about.

The horse which figured in the mix-up is not a fractious animal. He was captured several rods from the starting point, but not before the carriage had been bumped against every pole and ledge along the highway.

BRATTLEBORO MAN COMPLAINS.

Claims That Three Men Attempted to Rob Him at Pittsfield, Mass.

Pittsfield, Mass., Nov. 12.—John Haggerty of Brattleboro, Vt., barefooted and trembling with fear, ran up to a police officer early yesterday and claimed that three men attempted to rob him on West street. He alleged that they came into his room and assaulted him. He said that \$17 he had in his stocking the night he was robbed. The officers arrested Bartholomew Sullivan of Springfield, John Shea of Worcester and George White of Boston. In district court they were held for trial.

SCARLET FEVER CLOSED SCHOOL.

Two St. Albans Children Have Developed the Disease.

St. Albans, Nov. 12.—The Messenger street school was closed today because of the discovery yesterday of two cases of scarlet fever, the children affected having been attending school. The school will be re-opened to-morrow following thorough fumigation and the destroying of the books and articles used by the children which have developed the disease. The school authorities feel that the opening of the school to-morrow will act as an effective check for the disease, as the children would be in school rather than allowed to run the streets.

TENANTS GOT
A BIG SCARE

By Fire Which Broke Out in Four-Tenement Building on Merchant Street

FLAMES SCATTERED
THROUGH PARTITIONS

Firemen Received Call at 3:30 This Morning and Worked Two Hours

The row of buildings extending from the A. Tomasi block at the corner of North Main and Merchant streets to the N. M. Nelson residence on the Summer street corner was endangered by fire at an early hour this morning, when a brick blaze broke out in the four-tenement structure next to Charlie Wong's laundry. Frantic householders passed the word to Mrs. A. Tomasi, whose husband owns the property, and she telephoned the fire station at 3:30 o'clock. The auto truck and a crew of firemen were soon at work. Probably \$100 or more will be required to repair the damage, which is covered by insurance. Mrs. Pete Labelle, Louis Lavin and R. Cantu are among the tenants of the house and all will share in the loss. Mr. Cantu's photograph studio in the front apartment escaped damage.

One of the most stubborn blazes in a long time confronted the firemen when they entered the house with their chemical apparatus. It was a partition fire, which started in a chimney between the apartments of Mrs. Labelle and the Lavins. It went both ways and when the regulars were not noising their way to the second story, they were sure to be peeking away at the partitions in the basement. Outside a searching breeze stood ready to carry the flames hither and yon when once they should escape bounds. Smoke billowed from several windows and people who had been aroused by the buzzing of the auto truck thought the whole corner was about to be destroyed.

In a measure the firemen were hampered by piles of furniture which the frightened tenants of the house had assembled at every turn. They were continually bumping into the salvagers. Nearby tenants were alive to the danger of the fire's spreading and stood ready to lend their assistance at any time. By using the chemical solution judiciously, the firemen were finally able to put the blaze under control, but not before the axe-men had punctured holes in several partitions and two floors of the buildings. In the second story they faced a floor that had three layers of boarding, so effectively veneered that a successful resistance to the axe was offered several minutes. It was in the thick of the fire zone, too.

For nearly two hours they fought with the fire and by 6 o'clock or a little earlier, the fire had been smothered in every nook and corner. Apartments occupied by the Lavin family will have to be thoroughly rejuvenated and extensive repairs will be necessary in the tenements occupied by Mrs. Labelle and the photograph man.

Among the first to become aware of the fire were the Lavins. The head of the family sprang out of bed when smoke awakened him and started to arouse others of the household. By this time the Cantu's upstairs had heard the flames crackling. Undoubtedly the first to know about the fire was Mrs. Labelle, who happened to be alone in her apartments, she said. Around midnight, she heard suspicious sounds above, but finally charged her fears up to a rat and went to bed. She slept fitfully, however, and at 3:15 she heard the noise again. There was no mistaking it this time and she was already spreading the news when Mr. Lavin made a flying jump to the middle of the floor in his bedroom. Firemen believe the blaze smoldered a long time before breaking out.

PROCTOR STORE BURNS
LOSS BEING \$120,000

It Provided Supplies for All the People of That Village and Food Was Shipped in From Other Places.

Rutland, Nov. 12.—Fire, which originated in a part of the building near the furnace, last night entirely destroyed the big structure at Proctor used by the Vermont Marble Co. as a co-operative store, and practically all sources of provisions for the 2,700 residents of the village were cut off. Telephone and telegraph wires were so disabled that communication with other towns was not possible. The loss is estimated at about \$120,000 and there is about \$70,000 in insurance covering the stock carried in the various departments and the building itself.

Under the direction of Manager C. J. Mason, who conducted the store for the Marble company, arrangements were made at a late hour for the immediate needs of the residents of the hamlet. Teams will start out from the company store in West Rutland and a special train over the Clarendon & Pittsford railroad will carry goods from the wholesale houses in Rutland to Proctor.

Although the entire fire fighting apparatus, together with hundreds of employees from the mills, worked hard, there was never a chance of saving the property, which was more or less of a tinder box. The reflection from the fire could be seen for miles around and a number of parties went from Pittsford, Rutland, and Brandon.

The fire was first discovered by W. R. Randall, who is the watchman in charge of the several buildings used by the marble company. About 9 o'clock when making his first visit to the store he noticed smoke near the rear of the main building. He sent word to the Y. M. C. A. building and a general alarm was sounded, but before help arrived the en-

tire main building was in flames and so filled with smoke that all efforts of the firemen to aid in the removal of goods were baffled. A freight elevator shaft in this part of the building aided the flames in spreading to all parts of the building.

It was at first thought that R. A. Chesty, an employee of the company, was in the building asleep, but a visit to his room by the watchman disclosed an empty apartment. The boy was hunting in Chittenden. The fire, although fire discovered at 9 o'clock, was burning briskly at midnight. Explosions followed explosions and at every bursting of a can of paint or oil, flames would leap high in the air.

The building was 90 by 50 feet and the ell part was 70 by 50 feet, used entirely by the store, the proceeds being divided among the buyers at the end of each year. Branch stores will be opened in the town hall, old library buildings and in the Y. M. C. A. building. There was a large number of people in the ground and it contained two basements, recent improvements having been made to this part costing many thousand dollars.

Mrs. C. L. Severance, one of the heads of the dry goods department, lost considerable money which she had stored in the company's safe, which also contained the books of the concern. There was not much money in the store at the time of the fire.

MARKED SUCCESS AT SALE.

Ladies of Congregational Church Had Many Customers.

A great degree of success attended the opening session of the annual fair of the ladies of the Congregational church yesterday afternoon and last evening, as there was a large attendance of people who made liberal purchases of articles displayed. In the early evening a chicken pie supper was served to about two hundred people. The fair will continue through this afternoon and evening, an appropriate program having been arranged for the evening.

The vestry has been prettily decorated and presents a very attractive appearance, with the books arranged in orderly fashion. One booth that proved to be a magnet for most of the people was "Ye Colonial Booth," under the supervision of Mrs. J. C. Briggs and Mrs. William Clapp. The booth was a picturesque representation of an ancient colonial room. The properties utilized in the construction of this were antiques, some of whose histories date back over a century. The collection of these antiques was made possible through the good will of the parishioners. Among the articles in the room were silverware, woodcraft and needlework. Tea was served by Mrs. A. H. Gerhardt and Mrs. Lester Clough, dressed in colonial style.

Adjacent to the colonial booth was stationed the fancy work booth in charge of Mrs. Fred Fisher and Mrs. Frank McWhorter. One of the features of their displays was the Japanese work. From the apron booth were realized tidy sums of change. Mrs. A. P. Abbott and Mrs. F. E. Langley were in charge of this booth. Near the approach of the dining parlors the candy booth presented an inviting appearance. Mrs. Noble Love, Mrs. William Cole and Miss Alice Pape had charge of it.

At the close of the repeat the diners were gathered around the domestic booth and within short notice the sale of their ware had noticeably increased the accounts of the association. Mrs. William Holden and Mrs. H. A. Holt had charge of this booth.

The supper was served under the direction of the following committee: Mrs. D. S. Waterman; Mrs. C. W. Averill, Mrs. Sarah Bond, Mrs. Mae Suttor, Mrs. Margaret Smith, Mrs. H. G. Woodruff, Mrs. F. D. Ladd, Mrs. D. F. Davis, Mrs. James Adie and Mrs. Arthur Tilden had charge of the dining room. The supper consisted of the following menu: chicken, pie, rice, potato, cranberry sauce, fruit salad, hot rolls, assorted cake, orange sherbet, tea, coffee.

An inconspicuous booth, but receiving heavy patronage, was the booth conducted by the ladies of the church in the form of a fish pond and at an early hour their wares had been disposed of.

The program arranged for this evening consists of the following numbers: Tenor solo, "A Perfect Day," Fred Inglis; reading, selected, Miss Albertson; mandolin solo, "Intermezzo by Mascagni," Mr. Harry Fischer; soprano solo, selected, Miss McGuire. The program will be in charge of the campfire girls.

MANY DELEGATES ON HAND.

For Opening Session of Woman's Home Missionary Conference.

Nearly 50 delegates were in the city today for the opening of the 29th annual convention of the Women's Home Missionary society of the Vermont Methodist conference. The convention is held in the Hedding Methodist church and will continue through to to-morrow evening, supper being served at the church to-morrow (Thursday) evening.

Several of the prominent home mission workers are expected to attend and address the gathering. Delegates are being entertained in different homes around the city, a committee from the local society, headed by Mrs. B. W. Hooker, of Park street, having charge of entertaining the visitors. It is planned to make the two-days' session one of the most inspiring in the history of the society.

This afternoon the executive board of 10 members met at the church to discuss the achievements of the past year and to outline plans for the coming 12 months. To-night's session will open at 7:30 o'clock with a song service led by Mrs. L. D. Martin, president of the Barre society. Rev. E. F. Newell, pastor of the Hedding Methodist church, will read the scripture lesson and offer prayer. The church chorus will furnish music during the service and Mrs. F. R. Northfield will give the address of welcome. The response is to be made by Mrs. A. H. Webb of Northfield and 15-minute reports of the Washington meeting will be given by Mrs. Y. A. Irish of Enosburg Falls, Miss Mabel Silver of Brownsville, and Mrs. A. L. Celley of Fairlee. To-morrow the meeting will reconvene at 9 o'clock.

CASHIER WAS WOUNDED.

In Fight With Robbers Who Secured \$10,000 Booty.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 12.—A dispatch from Hazelton, B. C., says masked men robbed the Union bank of New Hazelton last night, wounding the cashier and escaped with \$10,000 after a rifle battle with citizens. A special train was sent out with the hope of intercepting the bandits.

SUIT ALLEGES
NEGLECTANCE

Consolidated Lighting Co., Defendant in Action for \$15,000 Damages

CLAIM FOR DEATH
OF A LIBRARY

County Court Took Up the Northfield Shooting Case To-day

Through his attorney, H. W. Scott, Nelson Larochele, administrator of the estate of the late Angelo Locascio, brought suit to-day against the Consolidated Lighting Co. to recover \$15,000 on the life of Locascio, who was electrocuted while employed as a brick mason on the annex to the lighting company's Granite street transformer station June 16 last. The administrator sues in behalf of the widowed Josephine Locascio and her two children.

In the case negligence is charged by the plaintiff because the defendant allowed Locascio to work in a place of extraordinary danger. It is claimed that Locascio was earning \$30 a week and more while in the employ of the Consolidated company. Papers have been served on the clerk of the company and the writ was entered in Washington county court to-day. The case is returnable at the March term.

Locascio met death on the afternoon of June 16 soon after 1 o'clock. With other reasons he was working on a brick structural addition to the transformer station when he came in contact with a live wire. He fell from the staging with horrible burns about the lower limbs. Physicians were called, but the man is believed to have died instantly. Locascio was married in Constantinople several years ago and had been a resident of Barre some time when the fatality occurred.

In county court this morning, Louis Gomez, formerly of Northfield, was arraigned on the charge of assault with intent to kill, the alleged victim being Matthew Gordon, who was shot in the leg. A peculiar fact in connection with this case was that the officers of the law, were forced to make long search before locating either the accused, who was indicted by the grand jury recently, or the man whom he was alleged to have shot. Gomez was finally arrested in Hardwick after a search around New England, and Gordon was located in Mr. Airy, N. C.

Sheriff Tracy, who had been hunting for Gordon several weeks, as he was likely to be the most important witness at the trial, traced him to Cambridge, Mass., and then to New York City, learning at the